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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation in CC Docket No. 01-92

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, January 11, 2004, Stephen G. Kraskin, Steven Watkins and I met with Scott Bergmann, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Adelstein, on behalf of the rural Independent Telephone Company clients of our firm including the Alliance of Incumbent Rural Independent Telephone Companies (the "Alliance"), the Alliance for Rational Intercarrier Compensation ("ARIC"), the Georgia Telephone Association, the Kentucky Independent Telephone Group, the Mississippi Rural Independent Telephone Company Group, and the Tennessee Rural Independent Coalition (all of which are collectively referred to herein as the "Independents").

The purpose of our meeting was to discuss certain issues raised in CC Docket No. 01-92 by petitions filed by T-Mobile and Sprint. The positions we advocated, together with the underlying factual and legal analysis, have been fully set forth on the record in the following documents filed by the Alliance in the above-referenced proceeding: Reply Comments filed on November 5, 2001, Comments filed on August 8, 2002 and October 18, 2002, and an *ex parte* notice filed on May 2, 2003.

Please direct any questions regarding this Notice to Stephen Kraskin, Steven Watkins or me at (202)296-8890.

Sincerely,

/s/

Holly Rachel Smith

cc: Scott Bergmann